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February 13th, 1918

Sir William Meredith, K.C.M.G.,

Chancellor of the University of Toronto.

Dear Mr. Chancellor:

Perhaps you have been so busy that you have not noticed that the Senate has enlarged the Committee on Honorary Degrees and has introduced one or two changes in the statutes, the chief being that the first meeting of the committee should be held six weeks before the meeting of the Senate in April. The purpose of the changes was to remove if possible some of the causes for criticism that are occasionally mentioned in the Senate when the report of the committee is presented. The new committee will be presented at a special meeting of the Senate to be called for that purpose on Friday afternoon. In order to confore to the new statutes I think we ought to have the first meeting on Tuesday of next week. I assume that you are so fully engaged for the next few weeks on the Commission that you will not have time to attend. If that is so, will you be good enough to authorise me to call the committee next week for our preliminary survey ?

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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Sir William Meredith,

Chancellor of the University of Toronto.

Dear Mr. Chancellor:

You will be glad to know that we have received a letter from the Honourable Elihu Root stating that he is glad to accept the offer of our honorary degree and that he will come to Toronto and receive the degree on Friday, May 17th. His acceptance means that now there will be two honorary degrees to be given, that is to the Earl of Reading and to Mr. Root.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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April 29th, 1918

Sir William Meredith,

Chancellor of the University of Toronto.

Dear Mr. Chancellor:

We are completing our arrangements for the visit of the Earl of Reading and Mr. Root. Besides the Convocation the only other function for which we are planning is a dinner at the York Club given by the Board of Governors at half past seven that evening. I hope that you have no other engagement that will interfere with your being present.

I have asked the Earl of Reading and Mr. Root both to say a few words after they receive the degree. I assume that this will meet with your approval.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.